SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD WASHINGTON, DC 20423

STB Docket No. AB-303 (Sub-No. 28X)

Wisconsin Central Ltd. - Abandonment Exemption - in Ashland County, WI

NOTICE TO THE PARTIES:

On February 28, 2006, an Environmental Assessment (EA) was served by the Surface Transportation Board's Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) for public review and comment. All comments in this proceeding were to be received by March 15, 2006. In response to a written request from Wisconsin Central Ltd. for an extension of the comment period, SEA is extending the comment period on the EA to March 31, 2006.

If you wish to file comments regarding this EA, send an **original and two copies** to Surface Transportation Board, Case Control Unit, Washington, DC 20423, to the attention of Troy Brady, who prepared the EA. Environmental comments may also be filed electronically on the Board's web site, www.stb.dot.gov, by clicking on the "E-FILING" link. **Please refer to STB Docket No. AB-303 (Sub-No. 28X) in all correspondence, including e-filings, addressed to the Board.** All comments must be postmarked, faxed, or e-filed by the March 31, 2006, due date. If you have any questions regarding the EA, please contact Mr. Brady, the environmental contact for this case, by phone at (202) 565-1643, fax at (202) 565-9000, or e-mail at bradyt@stb.dot.gov.

By the Board, Victoria Rutson, Chief, Section of Environmental Analysis.

Vernon A. Williams Secretary